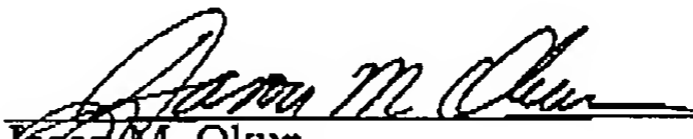


Group II: Claim 19, drawn to a processing method, classified in class
438, subclass 770.

Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-18, with traverse.

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